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Choice Literature.

From the Saturday Evening Mail. CHAPTER L. Everybody exclaimed, "What a beau-draw her children after her. But children

"tiful place-if'-Ab, that 'if!' Martin Mocker's farm themselves, and Pettigrew had more than · had once produced the finesterops of wheat, a glimpse of a ragged and forlorn groupe, and the heaviest. Its Indian corn had who would want to see what the Squire been a proverb. Its oats were almost equal could possibly want with their father. to the English, which the emigrants from Martin produced the ever ready bottle, the fast-anchored isle assure as are the best and rather congratulated himself that, alin the world. Its grazing land nourished though he had paid more than one visit to

have been-' if!'

Ah, that 'if!' It was not hard to him for business. guess. It was the same that we find, all P. Pettifogg, Esq., was a decided oppo-

the merely ornamental features of the place and all. the man void of understanding.'

the air of one who is conscious of idleness, congenial, or appeared to be so; and Marand heartily ashamed of himself, but has tin Meeker's heart so softened toward the not the nerve to do better; wee-worn with attorney, that he even invited him to dinennui, and forlorn with inward rebukes .- | ner though this act of temerity incurred a Unkempt and unshaven, dilapidated in not very pleasant debate with his wife. He costume and wretched in appearance, he also recommended that the lawyer should well represented the visible embodiment of consent to be put in nomination for the the genius of the place-the spirit-an evil legislature on the 'liberal ticket,' but Petspirit-which haunted it; for if any may tigrew Pettifogg was too cunning for that. be called haunted premises, they are those He left to others the open opposition and of him who has surrendered himself to 'the the obloquy; his cue was quietly to take invisible spirit of wine,' which Shakspeare | the birds, while others should beat the bush. apostrophizes. Wine is the poetical word | Having dined with his client, and saved for the whole class of maddening beverages; half a dollar, Pettifogg made motions to way over the modern inebriate's lips.

a personage of very different aspect. There thought struck him. was nothing in his appearance careless, and 'By the way, Martin,' he said, turning was very well aware that the price of a pair was ! a thousand. So Pettigrew Pettifogg, Esq., over our little affairs.' Counsellor and Attorney at Law, clung to 'I thought we had settled,' Martin venhis well-saved habiliments while they would tured to remark. cling to him, and paid no heed to obsolete 'O, that was a year ago. The world fashion while the texture remained firm, does not stand still-though for the sake of

and he had such a horror of waste and ex- both in years and in business matters .travagance that he always stood ready to I'm not rich, you know-but I sometimes save -for himself-what careless spend- do wish for the honor of good fellowship, thrifts threw away. He had always been that there was no such thing as money .very attentive to Martin Mecker.

ship, until the arrears of Pettigrew's kind hard on an old friend. I only want to aroffices were presented to him in a very one- range things so that when I am gone-and sided account-current. The debtor opened we don't know how soon we shall both go, his eyes a little, and 'supposed' that his Martin, things will be found straight becreditor 'was in no hurry.' Pettifoggers tween your people and my people. Here's and spiders seldom are in haste, until their a little instrument—a mere form, you toils are carefully woven and adjusted .- know-which will save dispute, perhaps, The preliminaries and approaches are pain- and law and litigation. I do detest any fully slow; the coup-de-grace is sudden thing like that. Just read it, and then and offectual. So Pettigrew Pettifogg wait- sign it. Never sign without reading, Mared a year, and then called again with a still tin. Never trust even a friend too far .further increased demand. Compound in- We're all poor weak creatures.' terest and new charges had swelled the And so with a flourish of magnanimity, ted that nothing could be easier. Martin 'It's all Greek to me, Pettifogg, but if had only to execute a mortgage merely as you say its all right, here goes !' a matter of form-and the account might He had executed with a drunken flour-

pleasant and productive.

presence of his visitor, but assumed an alac- he claimed a monopoly-so Pettigrew Petrity of welcome which he was far enough tifogg, Esq., Counsellor and Attorney at

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from feeling. He hurried his guest into the house, unwilling that his too prying eyes should dwell upon the deficiences in

the farm management. The wife, a conscious slattern, under her husband's ill example and depressing influence, withdrew into some dark recess, vainly striving to are not so readily to be taught to hide

famous cattle, and, as to the small crops, it that morning already, the duties of hostilian, tastefully arranged, was brilliant in knots of flowers, and displayed every wrieter to polsuade the lawyer to take his ty of shrub and tree, indigenous and exotic. dram; it was drink at another's expense; Plenty, comfort and ease attended the place and until all drink should be furnished on and its possessor-and the primal curse such terms, there was no danger of Pettiappeared to have been suspended in favor grew Pettifogg becoming intemperate; nor, of this beautiful spot. So it might still indeed, even then, if he could perceive that it interfered with his bargains or unfitted

the land over. It was the same hateful nent of all restrictive laws; he valued the let and hindrance which choaks the pros- liberty of the citizen. He was averse to all perity of thousands, in country and in sumptuary regulations, and was the Sir Ortown. The place might still have flour- acle of the village bar-room on the unconished, if the owner had not preferred the stitutionality of a law which, once enacted debasing pleasures of strong drink to the and obeyed, would abridge his practice and satisfaction of watching the results of his defeat his grasping purposes. What chance, industry, and garnering the proceeds of his for instance, if the nominal proprietors were sober, could exist of Pettigrew getting Martin's daughters were fain to apolo- a claim on Martin Meeker's farm? And gize for him: 'Father,' they said, 'had so there are many other farms in the same much else to occupy him, that he never case, many other pettifoggers who are lubricould find time for the ornamental arrange- cating their victims with honeyed words ment of the lawn and the garden. But preparatory to swallowing them-estates

were not all that were neglected. Gates 'A fine glass of brandy,' said the lawwere unhung. Boards swung loosely on yer, smacking his lips. Now Martin knew out-houses. Pumps and wells were dry .- the lawyer lied, for he was a good judge of The paths were grass-grown. Crops strug- liquor; and as the farmer's city account gled for existence among groves of rank had long stood unadjusted, he was compellweeds. Less than a half yield of anything ed to content himself with second ordinwas produced. Fruit trees were unpruned, ary from the country dealer. But Martin and matted with parisitical and useless said nothing, though he might have blushbranches. Briars and brambles almost ed, if his face had not already too deep a concealed the fences. The air of a wilder- color. The lawyer proceeded: 'I supness was over the whole premises. The pose you have made provision against conwords of Solomon were realized, - the tingencies, for the fanatics are resolved that field of the slothful, and the vineyard of a man shall no longer keep the key of his

own cellar.' Martin was lounging at the gate, with It was a theme on which the two were

but very little wine, we fancy, finds its depart. He had taken his leave all round and reached the door, attended by the fam-And while Martin loitered, waiting and ily, children and all; he had drawn on wishing for something or somebody to di- one of his driving gloves and taken his whip vert his thoughts, there rode up to his gate from the corner, when suddenly a new

nothing absolutely penurious; but you read back into the house, 'I had nearly forgotat once in his guise and costume, that he ten my business.' What a positive lie that

of new boots is equal to the annual interest | Martin returned with him to the sitting of a hundred dollars. A new hat would room, and looked aghast and disappointed touch the same figure; and as to a full as the lawyer produced his dropsical pocket suit, that would extinguish the product of book, and said, 'We might as well look

some good fellows, I often wish it did .-Accumulation was always in his thoughts; Time rolls round Martin-and I feel it, But as I said, I'm not rich, and I have to Martin supposed this attention was friend- look out for my own. I'm not going to be

debt wonderfully. Martin stared again .- Pettifogg placed a paper in Martin's hand. Pettifogg hinted at a settlement, and Mar- The victim, whose senses were not a little tin looked hopelessly blank, though strongly steeped in alcohol, blundered a few moinclined to be indignant at the audacity of ments among the interminable wilderness such an idea. The cunning lawyer sugges- of whereases-and then caught up a pen.

stand forever. It would be settled then, ish, a capital M., when suddenly, like othand both parties would be saved thinking er pens in those days of tricksy spirits his pen, flew from his hand, and what was very Indolent and careless Martin Mecker curious, caused an ink spatter on the forereadily consented to so convenient a method head of Pettifogg, very like the letter R. of disposing of the business. The idea of Both parties sprang to their feet in astonsettlement—the first he had ever made in ishment, and confronted—no disembodied his life, quite charmed him. It looked spirit-but Mrs. Martin Meeker, who looklike business, and then it was attended with ed upon them not the least abashed, and so little trouble! So the parties settled; proceeded further to tear into bits the docand in just a year from the date of the tran- uments to which her husband had comsaction, Pettigrew Pettifogg rode up to the menced his signature. Perhaps she did gate as we have related. He could not not quite understand its significanceforbear an affectionate look of concern over though she did understand the character of the premises, sorrowing at the neglected Pettifogg too well to trust any instrument state of a property which he considered as of his preparation. It was a confession of already his own. Under his sorrow, there judgement, which would have authorized a was latent satisfaction at the thought how foreclosure on the instant of its completion. a little attention, without any great ex- High words followed. Now Martin pense, could put matters on an entirely Meeker had no great objection to a domesnew footing, and make the neglected farm | tic broil, but he would allow no third party easant and productive. the privilege of abusing his wife. That was not quite comfortable in the was a part of his marriage rights of which

Law, was not very gently or ceremonious- that relative, and was now at home, upon a ly-ejected from the premises. It was a visit. An ordinary child would have hurried most unlooked for conclusion to his day's away from circumstances so unpleasant .work, and he departed full of vindictive But Cecilia prolonged her visit that she might do good.

CHAPTER II.

do under the terror of the audacity of encouragement, no such proposition came, which he had been guilty-so he sought to the uneasy rogue wrote a very smooth conresolve his doubts in the fountain to which ciliatory note expressive of his unwillingness he had often before applied. Whether al- to proceed to extremities, and 'all the rest cohol is a good solvent in mental operations of it.' Martin offered the document to his or not, is a mooted point, though in official wife and eldest daughter for their counsel. preparations it is useful. As however the 'O,' said his wife, 'go directly to him and Maine Law, which admits its sale for med- give him all ! Don't let me be near to inecinal and some other purposes, does not terrupt your business again. But he can't make any exception in favor of its use as get my third of the real early without my a quickener of the inteller, we suppose the consent. That's my comical wife's weight of authority would be against our 'A Sheriff's title does not need the wife's friend Martin. However, he took a drink; signature,' said Martin, stung to bitterness. and that drink, superadded to his previous imbibitions, was an effectual soother, and Meeker, rising and flouncing away. 'You'll he went to sleep under it. What were his beggar us all if you can, I have no doubt.

very much surprised to find that the world take the seal off the bottle imp, and let him

Farm in the twilight, and thought that it take up his hat. Cecilia placed her hand never had seemed to him quite so dilapida. upon his arm. 'Ride over to my aunt, fated. He leaned moodily on a tumble down ther, and consult her before you make any fence which scarce seemed equal to his reply to this man.' weight; and if only he had seen Hogarth's Martin hesitated-but though his pride picture of Gin Lane, he might have dis- revolted, he saw his daughter's advice was covered a striking general resemblance in good and followed it. The result was a very of intoxication. The pigs had a lean and ride a very high horse, came down to his feet,

improvements-for they naturally suppo- sum amounting to only one half his demand, sed that the exciting event of the day was redeemed the estate, and paid all expenses. the theme. The mother heard incredu- This sum was advanced by Martin's sister. lously. The twilight concealed the bitter smile with which she listened to all these

ter late in the season than never, took lus- before him, is one of the Church Wardens. ty hold of whatever would least bear waiting. The three girls made themselves and then our sketch is finished. It came to busy within doors; and a new atmosphere pass a few months after the settlement of the seemed to surround the homestead. The call. With considerate politeness he rehad gone through the forms of breakfast; but the poor fellow, who knew his guest, had little satisfaction in his repast, and

had failed to secure by a trick. Martin was in a dilemma; vulgarly speakunder so much surrounding difficulty. Only the elder—not because she was better
to Mr. Meeker as indicating rather warm
friendship. At this second call the myste-

place is ours no longer.' 'Do you mean to give it up without an

what may be gone., 'Your mother is so wearisome!' But, my dear father,' said the girl, astonish

piness by seeming undutiful.' choaking with emotion. 'But how does it him something better.

blushing—and there the conversation ceased. with an estate under guardianship. The But Cecilia was superior, as her father said last I ever drank was with you, or through to all the household. She had not been so your visit, at my own expense, in this very much exposed to wasting influences. Her room. I said just now that I have no dewhole youth had not been spent in the leth- sire to open the past, and the love of liquor argic atmosphere of Tumble Down Farm. is one of the things I have forgotten. If One of the greatest lacks in that atmosphere you were poor and hungry, I would ask you was the religious element; for Martin Meek- to wait till dinner; as you are neither. I er for many years had lived in forgetfulness shall not spoil your family repast, or put you of the uses, the benefits, and the privileges to that inconvenience; of the Christian Sabbath. Neglect of the godliness which is profiable even in this present world, is sure at the last to bring its sad first time since his residence there, Squire

Pettifogg hoped that the Sheriff's visit would terrify Martin Meeker into propositions Martin did not know precisely what to for an adjustment; but as, hanks to Cecilia's

dreams we are not able to record, but the Martin mechanically walked to the sidepresumption is that they were none of the board. He had forgotten that a few days pleasantest, since when he awoke, he was before he had consented that Cecilia should escape where he could do no mischief .-He drowsily surveyed Tumble Down Nevertheless and trembling, he turned to

the scene to the great artist's ideal. The spirited correspondence between Pettigrew very out houses seemed to reel-and the Pettifogg, Esq., and an honest lawyer to scraggy trees looked as if they might have whom Martin was recommended. Our pawned their fruit and leaves for the means friend P. P., who was disposed at first to hungry look-utensils and tools rotten in and at last to his knees, under an awkward corners, waste and want stared out from intimation of proceedings against him for all sides. 'Indeed,' he cried at length, barratry. Pettigrew denounced his brother raising himself upright, things MUST mend lawyer's proceedings as entirely unfraternal and unprofessional. He made a written He felt a hand placed on his arm, and appeal to Martin to resume his own business was surprised to find that he had been over- with 'an old friend' to which Martin of course heard—for he did not know that any one made no reply, while his attorney pressed was near him. It was his eldest daught- the subject earnestly upon Pettigrew's attener; and while with delicate tact she concealed the fact that she had noticed his-ex- awkward revelations might transpire was clamation, she led him on to talk hopeful- close at hand. Pettifogg made wisdom of ly of the future; as if indeed it were with- necessity; and the end of the vexatious afin his reach and control. The family fair was, that Tumble Down Farm was cleared gathered round them—three daughters— from the clutches of Pettigrew Pettifogg, two sons, and their mother. Each was Esq., Counsellor and Attorney at law .surprised to find that the subject of the Some idea of that worthy gentleman's honconversation was the projection of various esty may be gathered from the fact that a

fine promises; for a drunken man's wife whole place in its orgamental and its practimay be excused if she has no faith in him cal features resumed its original beauty. whatever. But this much at any rate was gained—an evening at home, for one who had not before missed the tavern for many she won the family over to better fashions.

The pew in the old church in which Mar-On the morrow all was astir, betimes, at tin's father sat before him, is now never un-Tumble Down Farm. The two boys-bet- filled; and Martin Meeker, as his father was One or two incidents must be related,

difficulties as above narrated, that Cecilia breakfast commenced cheerfully, but was was at home on a visit of some week's durainterrupted. One of the deputies of the tion. And during that same visit the worsheriff of the county made this very early conducted Martin Meeker's business, made fused to broach his business, until Martin the family a call, and was not unwilling to have his horse taken out and put in the stable. Mrs. Meeker kept vigilant eyes upon him, but as she saw no papers produced, would not have pretended to any, except she had no opportunity to repeat the great to blind his family. That, however was event of her life-to wit, spattering a lawlabor lost, for they were as quick of per- yer with his own treacherous tools. People ception as he was. To make a short story, twice in the same line. To do Mrs. Meekwe may merely say that P. Pettifogg, Esq., er justice, she did on that occasion render due course of the forms of law, what he had failed to secure by a trick with him in the opinion that she did not increase the obligation by harping upon it as ing, in a tight place. His boys relapsed long as she lived. The young man was so from their short reformation into worse than pleased with Martin's hospitality, that he uselessness, and his girls could not bear up under so much surrounding difficulty. On Meeker an unreasonable short interval, and

than the others, but because she had more years, was of service to him. She hinted at he said to Cecilia after a private consultathe continued improvement of his farm—so suddenly suspended—advised the repair of latter:—'I understand now how you became fences, the removal of weeds, and prepara- learned in law?' There was neither cause 'To what purpose?' he asked. 'The Even Mrs. Meeker could find none past or resent—so with a proper forecast of trou effort to keep it? Even if you do, it must Martin Meeker, you don't let Cecilia's husbe a year at least before you can be dispos-sessed. Take advice, father, and find out some chance for fair play.'

We must not forget to say that in due time Pettigrew Pettifogg, Esq., called too. Who can wonder at that? Excuse me, The interview was rather constrained. father, out have you not wearied her for ma- Pettifogg hoped a little dispute was not to ny a year! Every day of neglect and care- break an old friendship. He was ready to lessness—every folly and extravagance.— forgive, though he had been distrusted and wronged. Martin told bim that each would ed at herself, 'I am using very strange lan- of course have his own opinion in reference guage for a child to a parent. Forgive me, to injuries and forgiveness. He felt no defor I did not intend to increase your unhap- sire to re-open the past. Pettigrew said he would be obliged for a glass of water, and · I know what you would have said, and when it appeared, intimated gently that can supply the rest,' said Martin, in a voice there had been a time when Martin offered

happen, child, that you are so superior to all 'Mr Pettifogg,' said Martin, 'the first glass of spirits I ever drank was with you at 'Me! O, indeed I am not,' said Cecilia your expense, when I was an orphan boy

rebuke and retribution here. Cecilia who Pettifogg's horse came up in a foam. And was the god-like and protege of her father's Martin Meeker noted on that same day, an sister, had for the most part resided with occurrence quite as astonishing to him.-

AGRICULTURAL

When he turned from the door after seeing the lawyer off. Mrs. Meeker met him face to face, and instead of fretting, scolding, insinuating, vaticuating evil, she actually did then and there with her lips, upon his face, and her arms around his neck, commit an assault, which might have been expected in the glow of youthful blood, but it a woman of her sad and gloomy, temperament, was quite inexplicable. Well, Well! were all young once, and might be always, if we would only think so; and be none the worse for it either ! Education of the Heart.

thought that while so great effort is made to develope the intellect, so little is done to cultivate and give a right direction to the affections of the heart. Who does not know that in the sympathies of our nature there exist the boundless rescources, the exhaustless springs of human happiness? aye, and we had almost said the most fruitful cause of human misery? For, from the lack or misdirection of those sympathies how much of misery proceeds! It is undeniable that knowledge may secure wealth, and skill the commencement, on Tuesday last, of the may create many advantages and open the Annual State Fair at New York, the Jourway to distinction and honor. But knowl- nal of Commerce says: edge may exist without love, and wealth The most interesting animals on the ground

remain undeveloped, or to grow wild in an of which the Cashmere whawls are made, the aimless, or, it may be erroneous direction. value of which does not depend, as many children with the knowledge of books, as if that their material surpasses every other like they were merely to be thinkers; or if our article in its capacity for wear. The Cash thoughts take a more practical turn, that they mere goat was introduced into South Carolina may be successful toilers in great workshop several years ago by Dr. Davis, who caught of life. We educate our boys as merchants, them in Asia, forty two days' ride, on the doctors, lawyers, divines, and artizans for back of camels, from Constantinople. They getting that they are to be men, and to act have been introduced by him into North their part among those who have sympathies Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, and and passions in common with themselves .- Florida, and are mixed with the native goat. No less erroneous is the education of girls. The hair of the animal, which is pure white Even the very system too often pursued in is most beautiful. It somewhat resembles schools stifles the finer feelings of human in appearance the finest portion of the fleece nature, while it strengthens and developes of the Chinese sheep, a few of which are on

We all act too much as though the great localities where dogs are troublesome. end of human life was to amass properity. away! Where is he who is rich in all the ern States. wealth and greatness of a strong, sympathi-

holiest duties of a true humanity.

zing heart? Notwithstanding the wrong we would it g is a protection against dry weather. thus do ourselves, God does not leave us, A young man by the name of George E. even amid the activities of life, destitute of Warring, Jr., who by the way, is said to be us. Our suffering fellows need, aye, sup- on drouth and deep plowing, which has both plicate our aid; in our very midst are con- truth and reason to commend it. stant opportunities for the exercise of an The points on which the farmer needs, and enlarged and generous affection, which blesses may obtain instruction, are very numerous, and is blessed. We speak not of what are and we propose to notice only the point in called 'charities' in the modern sense of the question. It is not too bold an assertion to word. We have a great deal of benevolence, say that no good practical furmer will allow but it is aggregated or associated. We do his crops to suffer largely from drouth. The good, but it is by proxy. Some benevolent remedy is simple and natural. Subsoil plowsociety may be the almoner of our charity, ing, accompanied by underdraining on wet for we have no time for personal benevolence, lands, and even without it on those which and thus cheat ourselves of all the advantage are sufficiently dry, is a sure protection against which personal, active benevolence would this famine producing scourge. secure. The necessities and wants of the A few moments' reflection will convince poor may be supplied, but the wants of our any man this must prove an infallible remeown hearts are unsatisfied. We may give dy, because we know that there is always gold, but not the cordial utterance of a kind the same amount of water in and the surface and manly sympathy; alas! soon we shall of the earth. In winter there is more in the not have it to give, for every day our stock soil than in summer, while in summer that is growing less, since by our neglect we fail which has been being maintained in a vaporv to cultivate the source from which a true condition by the heat dried out of the soil and hearty sympathy springs. As a people, exists in the utmosphere, resident among its as well as individuals, we are thus preparing particles. Without this heat, it must im; our own epitaph—' rich intellectual, power- mediately contract and become liquid water,

the recipients. We plead for the cultiva- dew. tion of those heart affections which enrich On the same principle Subsoiling prevents

not their cry be unheard.

rivulets, that water every farm and meadow, with their private affairs. ALBERT BARNES.

Wonders will not cease. Saturday there passed through this place, on their way to Springfield (O.) Cattle Show, a sheep with wool upon it three feet in length-a sheep with four horns, each 14 inches in lengtha Shetland cow smaller than the long wooled sheep, and weighed but 229 pounds-a call of the cow about two years old, and never had a calf yet gives milk! The big sheep is the world's wonder. It girths 8% feet and its fleece is estimated to weigh between 40 and 45 pounds. All these monstrosities are owned by Mr. James Bickenial, of Aurora, We have sometimes been startled at the New York. Mr. B. has 6 of these kind of

> At the Wythe Agricultural Show on Tues-day, the 10th inst., Mr. Stephen Mc Gavock exhibited five three year old steers that weighed respectively 1,840 .- 1847,-1,900 1,920 and 2005,-averaging 1,906. Mr James T. Croekett exhibited a yearling that weighed 1,225 .- Abingdon Virginian.

CASHMERE GOATS .- In chronicling the

and distinction may be acquired without was three Cashmere goats entered by Dr. happiness. The affections are suffered to Davis of South Carolina. It is the animal We take care to fill the minds of our suppose, upon their rarity, but upon the fact emulation, ambition, envy, from which but exhibition. It is curly, soft in texture, and little of the happiness of life can flow. Ear- brilliant in appearance. The animal is exly should we begin to strengthen and give tremely delicate in shape, though hardy .right direction to the sympathies of our chil- A stock made from the hair was shown with dren, that in the rough and tumble of life in the goats. We learn that the meat is white which they are to be engaged, they may have and delicate, and is preferred in parts of South some soul as well as intellect, and thus fit Carolina where they are reared to mutton .them to discharge worthily the highest and A herd will protect itself against dogs, which constitutes a great advantage over sheep in

The question as to what animals and plants We make haste to get rich. We are so intent upon this end that we find little time undergoing much discussion throughout the for social intercourse and that pleasant fel- United States, by means of which, and the lowship upon which so much of the happiness experience to which it gives rise, important of life depends. With an increase of pro- additions will be made to the information of perty comes an increase of care; our time the country in agricultural affairs. We supand thoughts are engrossed with the fluctua- pose that the common goat of the North tions of the markets and the rise and fall of would be much improved if bred to those imstocks; while our poor hearts-alas! but ported by Mr. Davis. Throughout South too often do we leave them to the cold char | Carolina, the ordinary animal has risen large ities of the world, notwithstanding their rea- ly in price, from the facility with which the sonable and important demand for nourish breed is improved by this cross. The exment and support, we turn them empty periment would be worth trying in the North-

How to provide against Drouth.—We have argued, over and over that deep plowthe opportunities of heart cultivation. Ob- the author of a good book, which we have iects of sympathy are often presented before never seen, writes to the Tribune, an article

and for this reason a cold pitcher robs heat Let it not be thought we plead the cause from the vapor of a summer atmosphere, and of charity. It is rather the cause of the be- causes it to be deposited in a liquid form.stowers of charity we advocate, than that of The cold earth, at night, is thus supplied with

him who possesses them, the exercise of drouth. It opens the subsoil for a circulawhich furnishes the luxury of doing good, tion of air. This subsoil, from its shaded which makes the man happier, the domestic position, is always co l, and hence it takes circle the centre of the choicest and best affections, which makes the neighborhood it. It acts the part of the cold pitcher. more social, and strengthens the great tie of This is the simple, natural reason for the human brotherhood. If our intellects de- whole action, and any farmer in the world mand nourishment, so do our hearts. Let may understand it. But this may be called book-farming, so I will give an example of its practical character.

SILENT INFLUENCE.—It is the bubbling I yesterday visited the farm of Prof. Mapes. spring that flows gently, the little rivulet that The whole country about Newark wears a lides through the meadows, and which runs peculiarly burnt-up appearance, and the dust along, day and night, by the farm house, on the roads was deep, even for New Jersey. that is useful, rather than the swollen flood, I had previously asserted that I knew Mape's or the warring cataract. Niagara excites our farm to be exempt from the ravages of drouth, wonder, and we stand amazed at the power and truly I found my prediction fully realized. and greatness of God, as he 'pours it from Not a single plant seemed suffering for want his hollow hand.' But one Niagara is enough of moisture; and with their roots deeply lofor the continent, or world, while the same cated in the subsoil, they seemed fairly to world requires thousands and tens of thou- snap their fingers at the cloudless sky, and sands or silver fountains and gently flowing rather to rail at old Sol for trying to interfere

and every garden; and that shall flow on One crop of Corn deserves especial notice every day and every night, with their gentle, from its absolute magnificence. Notwithquiet, beauty. So with the acts of our lives, standing the fact that it is growing on the It is not by great deeds, like those of the north-western slope of a hill, and has not martyrs, that good is to be done; it is by been visited by rain for weeks, yet it stands the daily quiet virtues of life-the Christian apparently regardless of all untoward circumtemper, the meek forbearance, the spirit of stances; and, although, from its location and forgiveness, in the husband, the wife, the unfavorable season, one would think forty father, the brother, the sister, the friend, the bushels per acre. Here is an instance where neighbor, that good is to be done. - [REV. truly scientific knowledge has rendered its possessor entirely independent of the greatest

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NATURAL CURIOSITIES IN SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA .- The Abingdon Virginian, in an article devoted to the natural advantages and wonders of Southwestern Virginia, says:

And we have natural curiosities, some of them grand and wonderful. We have hereto-fore spoken of the Natural Bridge of Scott, of which that of Rockbridge is a miniature. The arch sweeps a pretty regular curve two or three hundred feet across Stock creek, leaving a tunnel large enough to shelter all the elephants in the jungles of Ceylon, with a carriage road on the summit, four hundred and twenty feet above the rapid stream that tumbles through the tunnel and washes its base. We have in this county, a few miles west of us, a perpendicular fall of water of a-bout one hundred feet; four or five miles north of us, another stream that falls twice that distance in three grand consecutive leaps; a spring a few miles east of us that has ebbed and flowed twice in twenty-four hours since Noah's flood; and a few miles south of us the Passiac Falls in miniature. We have caves, and cliffs, and gorges, where perhaps the foot of man has never trodden, and crags upon which the eagle perches in safety and looks

at the sun.'

The Cleveland Plaindealer, speaking of the character of the next Congress, says: There will be a majority of members in the House elected solely for their sworn opposition and professed hatred to the South .--They will be met in that body by about 100 men elected from the South, and the chosen champions of Southern rights. North-men must each and every one distinguish themselves in the eyes of their constituency by some tremendous onslaught upon the South. The South-men must stand firm the shock of opposition, for their constituents allow no flinching. The North-men will cater to the sympathies and passions of haters of slavery everywhere. The South-men will plant themselves upon the constitution, and contend for a strict construction of that instrument. Instructed to make 'no more compromises with slavery,' the majority dares never to yield .--The South, if overpowered, will either withdraw from the House, or, remaining, leave their fate, for the present, with a conservative Senate.

Poisoned Liquor .- We have recently met with many complaints about drugged and poisoned whiskey. Informer and more honest times from two to three gallons of whiskey were distilled out of a bushel of grain; now, with the aid of poisoned ingredients, distillers often manufacture four gallons to the bushel, which will carry a head equal to the first proof, while it carries destruction and death to the drinker. Much of the common whiskey now sold is a vile compound which would poison the stomach of a hog. The Staunton Spectator says it is quite common to find any quantity of fish berries, and a white sediment resembling lime, in the bottom of whiskey barrels .-Thousands of slaves, to say nothing of the whites, are no doubt yearly killed by drinking such a poisonous liquid .- Richmond

EASY WAY TO COMPUTE INTEREST .- In a Baltimore paper a correspondent gives the following plan for computing interest at six per cent. for any number of days: Divide the number of days by six, and

multiply the dollars by the dividend, and the result is the interest in decimals; cut off the right hand figure and you have it in dollars and cents, thus: What is the interest of \$100 for twenty-

one days? 21 divided by 6 is 3 1-2: 100 multiplied by 3 1 2 is 350; or 35 cents .-Again: What is the interest on \$378 for ninety-three days? 93 divided by 6 is 15 1-2; 378 multiplied by 15 1-2 is 5859, or \$5 85 and 9-10.

INDIAN BURYING GROUND .- From a letter now before us from a correspondent at Clover Bottom, Iredell county, we are informed that during the last freshet in the Catawba River, at a spot where the earth was washed away for a considerable depth, the bones of a hu-man being were found, of whom no one living in that section had any knowledge; also, on the opposite side, where the river struck the bank with great force, tearing the earth away, bones were thrown out in abundance. This spot has always been regarded (traditionfinding of a quantity of beads and pieces of ornamental brass along with the bones, very clearly establishes the fact. Salisbury Watchman.

Speaking of the ravages of the cholera throughout the country, during the past season a contemporary remarks : No progress has been made towards unfol-

ding the mysteries of the scourge. We remain as ignorant as before of the causes of the disease; and the means of cure still employed are almost as varied as practioners are numerous. Its laws of movement seem to set all explanation by science at defiance. It has been far more irregular in its course this year than ever before, jumping apparently at random hither and thither, instead of regularly traveling from place to place.

"DRUNKEN men are seen in Boston," tauntingly sneer the political press. So are murders committed, property stolen, and houses broken open. Ergo. No use in coercive measures against theft, Lurglary, and murder. Men will not be driven into morality. -Im-morality must first be licensed-made lawful-and then moral influences brought to

The Mobile News, speaking of the relief sent for Savannah, by the America people,

'We are a great people indeed. We will cut each others throats about abstractions, but let calamity enter a household, and the heart of the million throbs as one man.'

Some light Literature should be printed on blotting paper; it won't "go in" on any other kind.